(b) A Statement is attached.

(c) The production of documentary films on subjects of national importance, including the lives of important personalities, is undertaken by the Government within budgetary allocation through Films Division. The documentary films are produced on important persons in a need-based manner. Whenever suggestions for production of such films on any national leader/freedom fighter/important historical and cultural personality are received, they are considered on merit. In addition, Doordarshan is also producing various programmes and features on videos on the lives of various eminent personalities—past and present—according to programme requirements and availability of resources and transmission time.

(d) and (e) No documentary film on the life of Maharana Pratap has been produced. The film on the life of Guru Gobind Singh was produced in 1967 on the occasion of tri-centenary celebrations of Guru Gobind Singh. However, programmes on Maharana Pratap and Guru Gobind Singh have been done by Doordarshan in March, 91 and December, 90 respectively.

STATEMENT

(A) *The names of important persons on whom documentary films are likely to be produced by Films Division*

1. Shri V.K. Krishna Menon
2. Babu Jagjivan Ram
3. Shri Sardar Patel
4. Shri Asaf Ali
5. Lokpriya Gopinath Bordolai
6. Shri K.M. Munshi
7. Shri B.G. Kher
8. Andhra Kesari Tanguturi Prakasam
9. Shri B.N. Sircar
10. Shri Jaishankar Prasad
11. Dadasaheb Phalke Award Winner, Kum. Lata Mangeshkar
12. Nehru through the eyes of Cartoonists
13. Shri Ramkrishna Paramhans
14. Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah
15. Shri Man Bendra Nath Roy
16. Life and Achievement of Swami Haridasji
17. Bhimsain Joshi
18. M.S. Subbalakshmi
19. Vikram Sarabhai
20. Shaaran Rani—Her Life and Her Music
21. Smt. Indrani Bajpai Rehman
22. Birju Maharaj
23. Dr. Ghulam Rasool and his contribution to Hindustani Music
24. Smt. Komala Varadan
25. Ustad Vilayat Khan
26. Ustad Nissar Hussain Khan
27. Shri Pannalal Patel
28. Bhai Kanhaya
29. Asafaq Ullah Khan (Freedom fighter)
30. Maharaja Agrasen

(B) *Names of eminent persons on whom programmes are in various-stages of production with Doordarshan*

1. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar
2. Maqbool Sherwani
3. Acharya Ramchandra Shukla
4. Makhan Lal Chaturvedi
5. Smt. Kalpana Koshi
6. Acharya Narendra Dev
7. Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed
8. Pehla Baagi Mahatma

Pricing Policy on Films and Newsprints

1167. SHRI KARIA MUNDA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to bring some changes in the

pricing policy on films and newsprints; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) The Government in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting do not have any proposal for change of the price policy of films and newsprints.

(d) Does not arise.

Foreign Share Holding Companies engaged in Food Processing Industries

1168. SHRI KARIA MUNDA: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of companies with foreign share-holding, which are engaged in food processing industries in India;

(b) whether the Government propose to review its policy about permitting foreign share holding in Indian food processing industries in near future; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) and (c) Foreign equity hoding in Indian food processing industries will be as per the Industrial Policy.

Quantity of Rice & Sugar allotted to Meghalaya

1169. SHRI PETER G. MARBANIANG: Will the MINISTER OF FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of rice and sugar allotted to Meghalaya to be distributed through Public Distribution System, month-wise;

(b) the total quantity lifted by the State Government from January, 1991 to June, 1991, month-wise;

(c) the source from where it was procured; and

(d) the Agency involved for bringing rice and sugar to Meghalaya?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) and (b) A Statement giving the required information is attached.

(c) Rice stocks are being despatched from the North, i.e., Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh. Sugar stocks are generally despatched from the mills in Uttar Pradesh and occasionally from the mills in Maharashtra.

(d) The Food Corporation of India is responsible for the delivery of the allocated quantities of rice and sugar in the case of Meghalaya.

STATEMENT

Allotment & Offtake of Rice and Sugar for Public Distribution System in respect of Meghalaya from January to June, 1991

(*In '000 tonnes*)

Month 1991	*Rice*		*Sugar*	
	Allotment	*Offtake**	*Allotment*	*Offtake*
January	9.5	9.2	0.7	0.7
February	10.0	7.4	0.7	0.5
March	10.0	6.3	0.7	0.4
April	10.0	9.0	0.7	0.5
May	10.0	13.0	0.7	1.0
June	10.0	5.9	0.7	0.9

*Provisional